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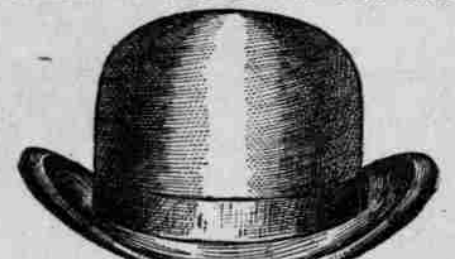
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## The Berry-Ball Dry Goods Co.



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Second Floor.

## Berry-Ball Dry Goods Co.

## Spring Clothing

Winter fingers in the lap of spring, but this fact has not deterred us from making full preparations for spring. Everywhere in the store you'll find conclusive evidence that the new season is at hand.

Look-ahead people are busy making up their minds as to the nature and extent of their spring outfits.

This store has a fresh new stock of Spring Clothing and Gents' Furnishings. We have chased the styles down to the minut and you can find the very newest styles and patterns here and they are all justly priced.

### Nobby New Spring Coats.

The Spring Coat is worn nearly all summer and along through the early fall. We have a very stylish line of Top and Rain Coats to sell for \$7.50, 10.00, 12.50, 15.00, 16.50 and 18.00.



## Star Lecture Course.

Thursday, Mar. 10, 8 P. M.

DR. NEWELL DWIGHT HILLIS,

Pastor of Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., will give his Famous Lecture,

"The Romance of Invention and The Heroism of Great Inventors."

Dr. Hillis is the successor of Henry Ward Beecher and Lyman Abbott. He addresses, twice every Sunday, the largest audiences in Greater New York.

A Rare Opportunity to hear a most Brilliant Lecture on a most Fascinating Subject.

Tickets, Popular Prices, 25, 35, and 50 cents at Bingham's.

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The Prudential Insurance Co.

J. M. CADY, Manager,  
Pythian Building.

## AUCTION

Next Saturday Evening, 7.30 o'clock, Republican Block.

I shall sell at auction a whole kit of carpenter's tools, saws, levels, planes, bits, ratchet, bit stock, chisels, drills, squares, emery wheel, etc. Also two revolvers, a Stevens rifle and many other goods.

W. H. PRESTON,  
Auctioneer.

### 7,365 Book-keepers

accountants, stenographers and clerks, 2-132 bankers, brokers and capitalists, 2,330 dressmakers, milliners and housewives, 5,557 clergymen, physicians, lawyers and dentists, 1,654 editors, publishers and printers, 7,929 merchants, and over 33,333 other persons unclassified, carry policies and have the protection we offer. 34th year and doing business in 35 States. Nat'l Life Ins. Co. of Vt. (Mutual) ORGANIZED 1869.

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St. Johnsbury, Vt.

## Howe Opera House.

TWO WEEKS, COMMENCING

MONDAY,  
MARCH 14.

Matinees Wed. and Sat. afternoons.

Marks Bros. No. 1 Dramatic Co. Supporting

MAY A. BELL, MARKS in a New Repertoire of Plays.

Monday evening—"For His Sake."  
Tuesday evening—"The Three Musketeers."  
Wednesday matinee—"Under Two Flags."  
Wednesday evening—"The Montana Queen."  
Thursday evening—"Sundered Hearts."  
Friday evening—"The Two Orphans."  
Saturday matinee—"East Lynne."  
Saturday evening—"Kathleen Mavourneen."

Evening Prices, 10, 15 and 25 cents.  
Matinee Prices, 10 cents to all.  
CUT THIS OUT.

This coupon and 15 cents entitles any lady to the best reserved seat in the theatre for Monday evening only, if presented at the advanced sale before 6 p. m. Monday.

Silverware and Jewelry  
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### FRATERNITY MEETINGS.

Haswell Royal Arch Chapter, No. 11.  
Special Convocation Friday evening, Mar. 11. The M. M. M., P. M. and M. E. M. degrees will be conferred.  
Stated Convocation, Friday evening, Apr. 4. LEIGHTON P. SLACK, H. P. DELOS M. BACON, Secretary.

Passumpsic Lodge, No. 27, F. and A. M.  
Regular Communication, Thursday evening, March 11.  
Called Communication Thursday evening, March 10. The F. C. degree will be conferred.  
PALMER E. PAINE, W. M. DELOS M. BACON, Secretary.

Palatine Commandery, No. 8, K. T.  
Stated Conclave Tuesday evening, Mar. 29. WILLIAM WETHERS, Commander. DELOS M. BACON, Recorder.

Sheridan Council, Knights of Columbus.  
Regular meetings are held the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month in Citizens Bank building, second floor.  
D. H. HEALY, Grand Knight. CHAS. T. LYNN, Rec. Sec.

Knight of Pythias.  
Regular Convention of Apollo Lodge, No. 2, Tuesday evening, Mar. 15. H. W. Ellis, K. R. S.

Mystic Star Chapter No. 29, O. E. S.  
Regular meeting Monday evening, March 14. A special meeting is called for Monday evening, March 7, at a meeting for rehearsal Wednesday evening, March 2, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. ELIZABETH SPALDING, Worthy Matron. Mrs. CHRISTINA BOKLAND, Secretary.

NEW ADS. THIS WEEK.

Bracelet Lost.  
House for Sale.  
Cape Lost.  
Frederick C. King, Lawyer.  
Mutual Life Assurance Co.—C. S. Hastings.  
Music Hall.  
Howe Opera House.  
Latest Fiction—F. B. Rowell.  
Teachers' Examinations.  
Pres. of Acad.—Walter A. Brown's Est.  
The Berry-Ball Dry Goods Co.  
Spring Goods—E. L. Hunt & Co.  
Easter—J. C. Stevens.

Local Events.  
Mar. 10. Lecture, Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis.  
14-28. Marks Bros. Howe Opera House.  
15. Shore Acres, Music Hall.  
16. Clam Chowder supper, Universalist Church.  
12. Annual Meeting U. C. T.  
15-16. Teachers' Examination.  
17. St. Patrick's Day Celebration, St. Aloysius Church.  
17. Odd Fellows Masquerade and Sugar Party.

### LOCAL GATHERINGS.

Over 75 masons from here accepted the invitation of Washburn Lodge of Danville to attend a meeting there last Wednesday evening. A special train left here at 7 o'clock and returned after the meeting and banquet.

The granite sheds for the first time this winter have a full supply of water for their power, the recent rains and thaw having raised the river considerably.

Worther & Gleason will have lettuce, beets, parsnips, cabbage, squash, sweet potatoes, turnips and onions, Thursday.

The directors of E. & T. Fairbanks & Co. have declared quarterly dividend of \$5 a share, payable on March 15.

Major N. P. Bowman is receiving congratulations over the increase in his pension from \$25 to \$40 a month. Senator Proctor introduced the bill and it was passed last week.

The Universalist ladies will serve a clam chowder supper in the vestry Thursday evening at 6 o'clock.

Louie S. Morris has sold the house and lot on the corner of Pleasant and John streets to the congregation of Notre Dame, to be used in enlarging the cemetery. The sale includes 12 acres. The society has also purchased a lot of 16 acres on the opposite side of Pleasant street to be used as a campus for the children of the parochial schools on vacation days.

A treat is assured all music lovers in the concert to be given by the Blaisdell String Quartette in Pythian Hall, in the near future. The quartette has delighted St. Johnsbury audiences on previous occasions and will be sure of a hearty welcome at this time. Further announcements regarding tickets and program will appear.

The St. Johnsbury Orchestra have engagements this week as follows: At Pythian Hall for select party on Wednesday; at Danville for gentlemen's return leap year party on Thursday; and at Haverhill, N. H., for grand ball on Friday evening. They also have several engagements booked for April.

Dr. C. M. Richmond, who for the past few months has been employed in the office of Dr. G. F. Cheney, has bought the good will and business of Dr. R. W. Warner. The rooms in the Citizens' Bank block which have been occupied by Dr. Warner have been remodeled and repaired, and will soon be occupied by Dr. Richmond. Dr. Warner is one of the oldest dentists in this county having been in business for many years. He has built up a large and very satisfactory practice, the best success in the continuation of which we bespeak for his successor.

S. W. Armstrong of Franklin, organizer of the I. O. F., is in town in the interests of that society.

Try Worthen and Gleason's 27 cent coffee.

A public meeting of the I. O. F. will be held at Junior Order Hall, Thursday evening, March 10. S. W. Armstrong, state organizer, will be present. All are cordially invited.

—W. D. D. Reed of Charleston, district deputy of the Modern Woodmen is in town in the interests of Asisqwa Camp.

—Ralph C. Salloway has sold the John Smith house on Portland street to Frank G. Landry. Consideration private.

—Frederick C. King has entered the law office of Marshal Montgomery as attorney at law. Abner Smith, who has been studying with Eliza May, takes Mr. King's place in the county clerk's office as deputy clerk.

—The U. C. T. will hold their annual election of officers Saturday evening.

—The Klark-Urban Co. completed a week's engagement at Howe Opera House Saturday evening, having played to good houses and given general satisfaction the entire week.

—The Mystic Club kept open house Wednesday evening when a large number of members and friends inspected the newly repaired rooms, and enjoyed a social time. The 1904 Banjo Mandolin and Guitar club furnished several selections and refreshments were served by S. D. Atwood caterer. Later in the evening the year's accumulation of magazines and papers were auctioned off by Alexander Dunnett.

—An alarm was rung in Saturday morning for a small fire on the roof of P. J. Cowles' house on South Pearl street. The shingles on the roof caught fire from soot being thrown from a chimney burning out. Small damage was done.

—Joseph St. Jock is repairing his building on Pearl street, lately purchased from T. F. Dockham. The building will be moved forward about 10 feet and later an addition will be built on the rear. The first floor will be used for a bicycle and automobile repair shop.

—Worther & Gleason are installing a novelty in the shape of an electric motor, coffee grinding machine.

—Mrs. A. M. McNeil has returned from market with new samples for spring suits, and will be glad to show them to any who will call at Miss Fannie M. Spencer's store on Eastern Avenue, where she will have her headquarters. Early orders will receive prompt attention.

—The spring examinations of teachers will be held at the Summer street school on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 15 and 16; at the Barnet school-house on March 21 and 22; at the Hardwick Academy building on March 18 and 19; at Groton schoolhouse March 23 and 24; at the Institute at Lyndon Center March 25 and 26. Particulars of same are given in our advertising columns.

—Olive Branch Rebekah Lodge will hold their annual masquerade and sugar party at Odd Fellow's hall Thursday evening, March 17. All Odd Fellows with their families and invited friends are cordially invited to be present. There will be good music in attendance and it is hoped all will come in costume. Admission 25 cents.

—Henry Massey, who is unable to work in his barber shop on account of a broken shoulder, has engaged Arthur A. Gobielle of Beebe Plain, who is a first-class barber, to assist in his shop.

—A New England telephone has been placed in the residence of W. H. H. Robie. Call 72-21.

—The W. R. C. sewing society will be held with Mrs. C. E. Gorham, on Central street, Thursday afternoon.

—F. O. Clark has just received "Reminiscences of the Civil War" by Gen. John B. Gordon; price, \$3 net. Also the 20th Century New Testament in one volume. Price, \$1.

### K. of P. Entertainment.

Apollo Lodge, Knights of Pythias, have arranged for a most pleasing entertainment on Tuesday evening, March 15, when Miss Gay Zenola McLaren returns here to give the characters in that popular drama, "Shore Acres." She will be remembered as one of the stars in the carnival at Music Hall last November, giving great satisfaction in impersonating "The Sign of the Cross." The Imperial Male Quartette and the Apollo Octette will assist in the evening's entertainment and a most enjoyable performance is assured. The tickets for the entertainment will be on sale at Bingham's and Gordon's drug stores on and after Thursday morning.

### Town Officers Organize.

The new board of selectmen met on Wednesday afternoon and organized for the year by electing Harry H. Carr chairman and Wesley Sargent clerk.

The school directors met on Saturday afternoon and organized by electing Rev. A. P. Welch chairman and clerk, Col. T. C. Fletcher purchasing agent, Mrs. E. A. S. May, visiting committee. The board have engaged Supt. Dempsey for the school year beginning Sept. 1 next.

The town is fortunate to have Mr. Dempsey as our superintendent for the coming year as he is generally considered the ablest superintendent in the state.

### Woman's Club.

Considerable business was transacted at the March meeting of the Woman's Club, Monday afternoon, the question of interest being the appeal from the New Hampshire Federation of Women's Clubs, to add the endorsement of this club to theirs, of Senator Gallinger's bill for a national forest reservation. The endorsement was recommended by the executive board and accepted by the members of the club, and it was suggested that club members show their interest in the matter by writing to Vermont's representatives in Congress, or their attaches, regarding it.

One new name was presented and accepted for membership, Mrs. Nellie M. Smythe.

It was voted that for the April meeting, section 2 of article 1 and section 2 of article 4, concerning time of meeting and limitation of the sale of guest tickets to members be suspended.

It was announced that at the April meeting the by-laws concerning the appointment of standing committees by the executive board and the committee's choice of their own chairman, would come up for discussion and possible amendment.

It was suggested by the president that the manner of nominating officers for the annual election be considered by the members, and at the next meeting new or improved methods be presented for consideration if desirable.

The chairman of the education committee, Mrs. H. C. Bond, was presented and introduced Mrs. C. H. Dempsey, who spoke very interestingly of "Vacation Schools." Her paper dealt particularly with the juveniles in the poor districts of large cities, where such work is usually under the supervision of Women's Clubs or philanthropic organizations. While attendance at these schools is not compulsory, the appreciation of them is shown by the usually large attendance. The principal objects of these schools are manual training, nature study and organized play. They improve the minds of the children, give them pleasure trips into the country, and in practical and pleasant ways occupy their time, which might, especially among the poorer classes, be spent in the streets and in unwholesome ways and places. Mrs. Dempsey illustrated her talk with amusing anecdotes and awoke considerable interest on this subject in the minds of her hearers.

All who were present were delighted to welcome to the meeting the other speaker of the afternoon, Mrs. L. L. Hardy of Amherst, Mass., formerly of St. Johnsbury. She continued the subject of "Vacation Schools," giving a very good idea of what can be done, both indoors and outdoors, in smaller towns, in this direction. The summer vacation seems too long for children above the primary grades, and there is often at the beginning of school in the fall, a noticeable deterioration in the behavior of children since the beginning of the vacation. The summer trips planned in many places by churches or Y. M. C. A.'s, in part do the work of vacation schools. Among the subjects taught in the organized schools Mrs. Hardy spoke of gardening, work in this line constantly increasing, manual training, sewing, and cooking, and nature study. She had for exhibition and examination samples of wood work, wire work, and sewing done in the various grades of the schools at Amherst, which gave a very good idea of the work that can be done during vacations or in the schools where manual training is introduced. It proved that this kind of work was very practical and was a welcome addition to or substitution for, during a part of the school hours, the regular text book routine.

Both ladies gave very interesting and instructive ideas on the subject under discussion, and were most attentively listened to.

### Old Pine Golf Club.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Old Pine Golf Club was held in the Museum class room on Friday evening. The following officers were elected for the year ensuing:

President, Frank H. Brooks.  
Vice President, C. H. Dempsey.  
Sec. and Treas., Arthur G. Sprague.  
Directors, J. H. Brooks, Ned C. Stiles, E. M. Taft, Miss Lena M. Pike, Miss Eva L. Wilde, Mrs. H. F. Balch.

The constitution was amended so that the membership of the club could be increased to 125.

After the meeting about 25 enjoyed a snow shoe party, returning to Charles H. Horton's later in the evening where they were bountifully entertained.

### Newell Dwight Hillis' Lecture.

The last entertainment in the Lecture Course for the season of 1903-1904 is to be given tomorrow evening by Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, pastor of Plymouth Congregational church, Brooklyn, his subject to be "The Romance of Invention and the Heroism of Great Inventors." Dr. Hillis is unique, a genius, with a style and range of thought all his own. He is as indifferent to gesture and the graces of oratory as was Phillips Brooks, and speaks nearly as rapidly. He appeals to the best in humanity by exalting the highest human ideals. Don't fail to patronize the Star Lecture Course in its last entertainment of the season and you will be well repaid by hearing this preacher, bookmaker and lecturer.

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